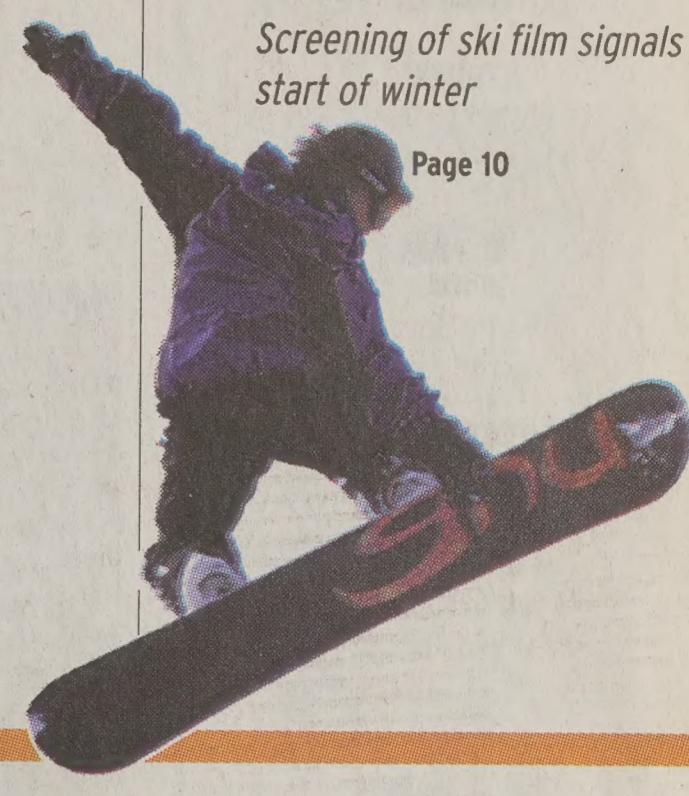


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Spook-tacular Scene



Photo by Andy Von Harten

Locations all around campus, like the Bookstore pictured above, are decked out for Halloween. Below, seniors Spencer Jones (left), T.J. Campbell and Zack Derr attended a ward party on campus Tuesday night, dressed in a Kentucky Fried Chicken theme.



Photo by Heather Winn

Redistricting puts new face on congressional race

By JAMIE PALMER

Voters in this mid-term election may just worry about who they should vote for; they may not even know which congressional district they are in.

Last year, all state congressional district lines were changed in the highly heated and controversial redistricting process.

I think what happened last year was pretty obvious. Our state legislature behaved in a remarkably partisan way," said Jim Matheson, D-Utah.

For five months, a 20-member committee, compromised of 13 Republicans and seven Democrats, weeded through dozens of proposals submitted by politicians and committee members to find an acceptable plan to redraw the lines.

Redistricting is a process that takes place every 10 years. Each state is con-

stitutionally bound to complete the process of re-apportionment. States can either elect a committee from their state legislature to redefine boundary lines, such as Utah and 43 other states do, or the political party in power designates a commission to complete the duties.

The process of re-apportionment begins with information from a population census. Numbers are totaled in each district, showing which areas need to be altered. This creates change, which often tends to re-draw partisan lines and create tension for many involved.

After the 2000 Census was released Fall 2001, the new lines in Utah were drawn. The new district map adopted by a majority vote in the Utah State House of Representatives and Senate

caused politicians from around the country to cry foul play.

In the Deseret News, Senator Bob Bennett, R-Utah, called it the worst case of gerrymandering he'd ever seen. The Wall Street Journal said it was a Republican scam on Jim Matheson, the only Democrat representing Utah in Congress.

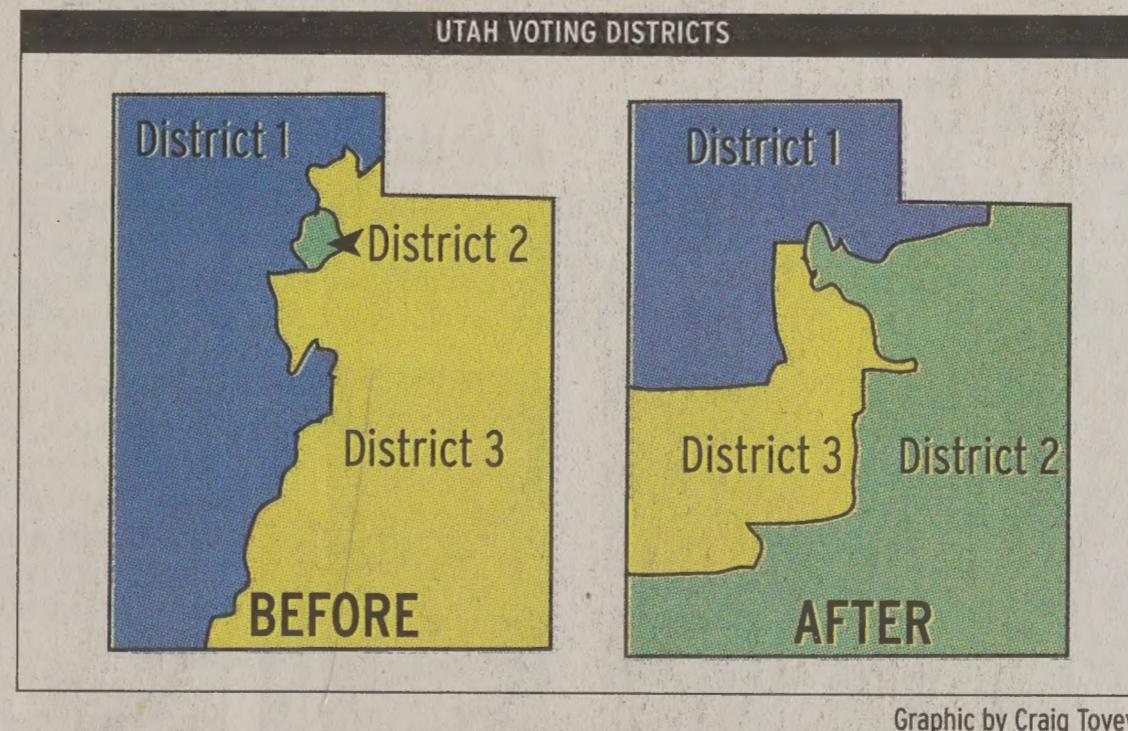
Some people believe the members of the committee were trying to push out

democratic incumbent Jim Matheson and pull a Republican candidate in his place.

"They tried to get rid of Jim, but they got the wrong Jim," said Meg Holbrook, chair of the Utah Democratic Party.

The other Jim would be Congressman Jim Hansen, a well-known name in Utah politics. He has represented

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Graphic by Craig Tovey

Voters face radioactive waste issue Tuesday

By MEAGAN ANDERSON

When Utah voters go to vote on Tuesday, they will confront what is perhaps one of the most controversial issues to face Utah in years.

Deciding which candidate to elect can be a difficult choice, but this year voters will be required to decide the future of an initiative that contains 13,000 words and enacts or changes 100 state laws.

Initiative 1, also known as the Radioactive Waste Restrictions Act, will raise taxes on the producers of class A radioactive waste that is transported and disposed of in Utah.

Utah currently accepts class A waste, which is waste that retains its radioactivity for less than 100 years, and taxes waste producers 35 cents per cubic foot for the waste, said Howard Stephenson, president for the Utah Taxpayers Association.

Initiative 1 will raise the tax up to \$150 per cubic foot, 429 times the current rate, Stephenson said.

The tax money generated from Initiative 1 will be used for educational funding, to create self-sufficiency programs for the homeless and to build adequate cleanup funds.

Those in favor of the initiative say the taxes are fair and the money generated will benefit Utah.

"Fourteen million cubic feet of Class A

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Initiative 1 debate heating up

By KACEY EARL

In a heated debate between opposing sides of Initiative 1, two quick-witted contenders attempted to sway the audience's vote in their favor.

The campaign against Initiative 1, also called the Radioactive Waste Restrictions Act, has spent a record \$3.57 million to influence politicians and keep people from voting yes, making this one of the most expensive ballots in Utah's history.

In the debate held at the University of Utah on Wednesday, Hugh Matheson, head of the campaign against the initiative, and Frank Pignanelli, campaign manager for Initiative 1, deliberated in a classroom overloaded with students, teachers and reporters.

The debate turned into a battle of wits and sarcasm as the two opponents openly insulted the other's position.

One example of this was a response by Matheson when jokingly asked if he planned to use passion and language to address his position as Pignanelli was using during the debate.

"I don't have to use rhetoric," Matheson responded. "I don't get that passionate because I have facts on my side."

Initiative 1, appearing on ballots in Tuesday's election, would raise taxes on class A radioactive waste dumped at Envirocare's Tooele County landfill, direct the extra revenue to schools and anti-poverty programs and ban class B and C waste from Utah.

The nuclear waste tax, now varying from 30 cents to \$68, would rise to a range of \$4.60 to \$200, according to Matheson.

The 13,000-word, nearly 20-page initiative is long and complicated, Matheson said.

"They created a Christmas tree and decorated it to please different groups," Matheson said. "That is why it is so long."

Pignanelli said this initiative is im-

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[Weather]



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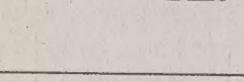
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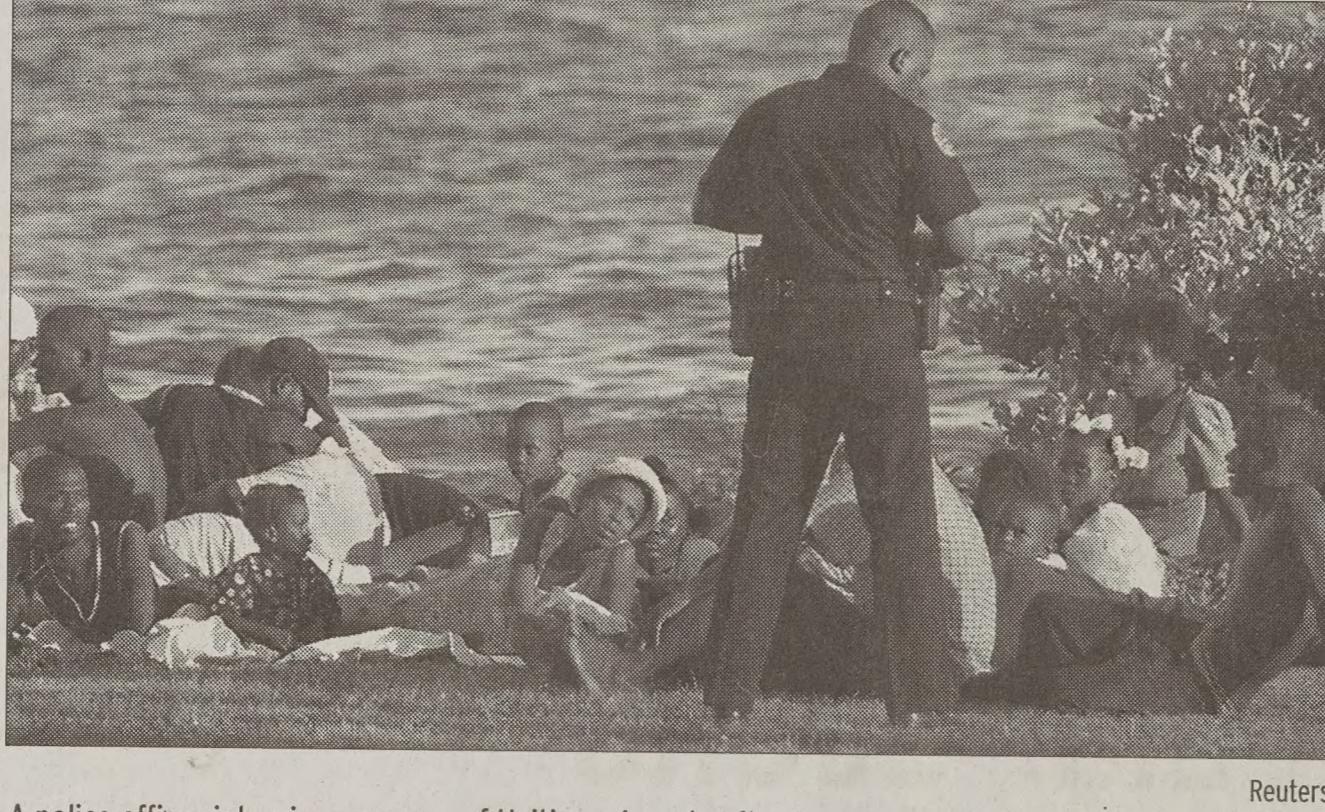


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A police officer interviews a group of Haitian migrants after they were apprehended upon arriving in the Miami area Tuesday. About 200 migrants jumped off a freighter in shallow waters near Miami and swarmed onto a busy bridge, some trying to persuade motorists to help them elude border patrols.

Activists call for asylum for Haitian immigrants

MIAMI (AP) — Activists urged Gov. Jeb Bush on Wednesday to help prevent the deportation of 200 illegal Haitian immigrants who jumped overboard from a freighter after a weeklong voyage and made a dash for a new life.

In Washington, the White House said President Bush would not weigh in on any asylum question. Rep. Carrie Meek, D-Fla., demanded that the Republican governor call his brother and persuade the president to treat Haitians like Cuban refugees, who are usually allowed to stay.

"Those Haitians are standing on dry land. ... You can do it," Meek told the governor, who is seeking re-election in next week's election.

The Haitians ran ashore Tuesday near

downtown Miami, causing a traffic jam as they tried to flag down cars, after their freighter ran aground just off shore.

Bush told Meek he agrees that the Haitians should be released until their asylum request is heard. Bush had said earlier that he spoke to White House officials and was assured the Haitians would receive "fair and decent treatment."

"Haitians should be treated in the same fashion that Jamaicans, people from the Bahamas, people from any country in the world," Bush said.

"If Bush could champion the issue, he could shift the balance in the election," said Jean Robert Lafontaine, president of the Haitian-American Grassroots Coalition.

Bush discusses Iraq with U.N. inspector

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush met with the U.N. chief weapons inspector Wednesday as U.S. diplomats struggled to give the inspections team power to "carry out the will of the world community" and disarm Saddam Hussein.

The meeting with chief U.N. weapons inspector Hans Blix and Mohamed ElBaradei of the International Atomic Energy Agency came as Secretary of State Colin Powell signaled a willingness to strike a compromise to get U.N. Security Council approval of a tough resolution on Iraq.

Powell said Tuesday "there may be a way" to bridge remaining differences with France, Russia and China on the draft proposed by the United States and Britain.

However, he said the resolution must warn Iraq of consequences if it refuses to agree to destroy its weapons arsenals.

"Otherwise," Powell said at a

news conference, "Iraq will deceive and distract" the weapons inspectors who will be back to Iraq after four years' search for chemical and biological weapons and a weapons program.

"We cannot accept an argument that suggests that, in the presence of new Iraqi violations, those violations would be ignored and there would be no consequences," he said.

Amid the tense diplomatic struggle, Bush welcomed him to the White House and thanked him for his service and the importance of his mission.

"The message is it's important for the inspections to be effective and it's important for the inspectors to carry out the will of the world community as expressed through the Security Council," White

spokesman Ari Fleischer said.

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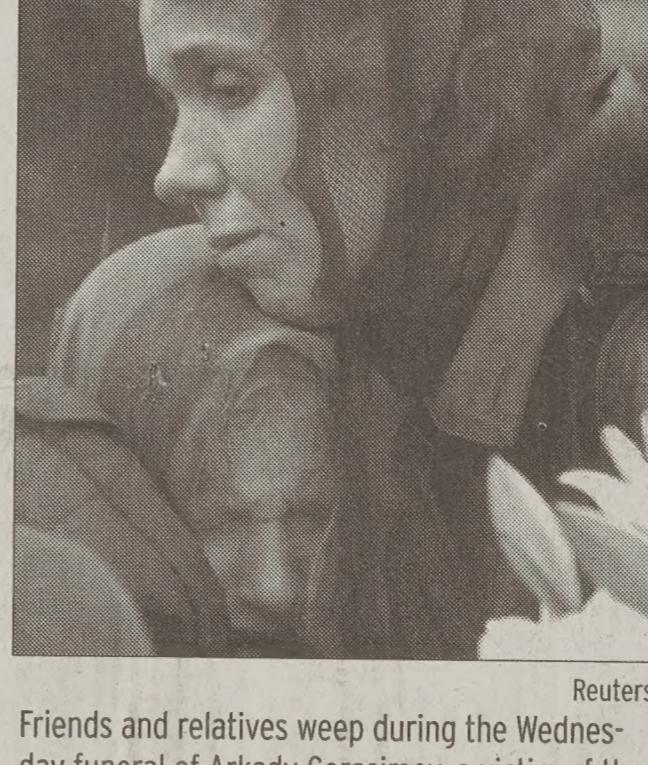
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Friends and relatives weep during the Wednesday funeral of Arkady Gerasimov, a victim of the Moscow theater siege.

Chechen aide arrested

MOSCOW (AP) — At the Kremlin's urging, Denmark arrested a key aide to Chechen leader Aslan Maskhadov in the deadly raid on a Moscow theater and other terror attacks — further evidence of Russia's success in isolating a rebel movement whose envoys were once received in capitals around the world, including Washington.

Russia also acknowledged for the first time Wednesday that the powerful opiate fentanyl was used in the rescue operation that killed at least 117 hostages.

Health Minister Yuri Shevchenko insisted the compound was an anesthetic that would not cause death under normal circumstances.

Most agree the decision to pump the sedating fumes into the theater early Saturday ended the crisis; it incapacitated the heavily armed Chechen hostage-takers, preventing them from setting off explosives, and led to the safe rescue of more than 660 theater-goers. But, Shevchenko acknowledged, it was likely fatal for many of the hostages.

Sharon's government falls

JERUSALEM (AP) — Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's hardline government crumbled Wednesday, after Labor Party ministers submitted their resignations in a dispute over funding for Jewish settlements.

Sharon told parliament he would continue to lead the country, suggesting he would try to govern with a narrow coalition of far-right and religious parties rather than call early elections.

The crisis ended an uneasy 20-month partnership that had been formed to steer the country at a time of intense conflict with the Palestinians. The political turmoil could sabotage U.S. efforts to win support for a three-phase peace plan that envisions Palestinian statehood by 2005.

Last-minute efforts Wednesday to reach a compromise over the settlements failed.



Ariel Sharon
National Unity
Coalition collapsed



Reuters
Israeli foreign minister Shimon Peres signs his letter of resignation at a parliament session in the Knesset in Jerusalem Wednesday.

Mondale to run for Senate

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — Former Vice President Walter Mondale gave Democrats the answer they were looking for Wednesday, saying he will run for Senate in place of the late Sen. Paul Wellstone if nominated.

Mondale was expected to be ratified as the Democratic candidate at a meeting of party representatives Wednesday evening.

"It is with a heavy heart but a great hope for the future that I will pick up the campaign where Paul Wellstone left off," Mondale, 74, wrote Wednesday to state Democratic Party Chairman Mike Erlandson.

"Paul cannot be replaced," Mondale wrote. "But his passion for Minnesotans and their needs can inspire us to continue the work he began."

Wellstone was killed in a plane crash Friday in northern Minnesota in the midst of a tough re-election battle with Republican Norm Coleman, a former mayor of St. Paul.

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e're expecting to max out
building's capacity,"
said.

Radioactive waste draws attention and big money to election

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radioactive waste was dumped
in Utah last year," said Mark
Mickelsen, director of communica-
tions for the Utah Education
Association.

"Utah is accepting the lion's
share of this waste, but we are
not taxing the waste at a rate
that we need to. If Initiative 1 is
passed, it will generate an additional
\$150 million for Utah
schools," he said.

The exact amount of money
that will be generated by the
initiative is not yet known, but
it is expected to be substantial.

The Legislative Fiscal Analyst
estimates that if waste vol-
umes continue at current lev-
els, tax revenues from radioac-
tive waste that would be used
for education and for the home-
less and impoverished could be
approximately \$208,000,000
annually, according to an
impartial analysis of the initia-

tive found in the Utah voter
information pamphlet.

The Utah Education Associa-
tion is one of many organiza-
tions and citizens supporting
Initiative 1.

"The Utah Education Associa-
tion is supporting the initiative
for three main reasons. One,
it reduces the threat of
radioactive waste in Utah. Sec-
ond, it reduces class size.
Third, it provides schools with
money for textbooks, comput-
ers and supplies," Mickelsen
said.

Jim Matheson, congressman
for Utah's second district, will
vote for the initiative, his
spokesperson said.

"Jim is in favor of it," said.
"He is tired of having Utah
being a dumping ground for
radioactive waste."

Mickelsen said, "Initiative 1
will stop future licensing of
radioactive waste and will not
accept hotter radioactive
waste."

Hotter radioactive waste
includes class B waste, which
remains radioactive for up to
200 years, and class C waste,
which remains radioactive for
up to 500 years.

Those opposed to the issue
think the initiative sounds good
on the surface but is a decep-
tion and abuse of Utah's initia-
tive process.

"It is ambiguous, targets
specific companies, and goes
against his principles of tax
fairness," said Emily Christensen,
spokesperson for con-
gressional candidate John
Swallow. "It is unfair, unsound
and an unwise tax policy."

The hazards of class A waste
have been exaggerated,
Stephenson said.

"The radioactive levels are
so low that one could stand on
the soil at the [disposal sites]
and receive less radioactive
exposure than in many Utah
basements or granite buildings
such as the State Capitol,"
Stephenson said.

Two other states also accept
radioactive waste and impose
high taxes on the waste produc-
ers.

South Carolina accepted
128,000 cubic feet last year
and Washington accepted 58,000.

According to Utahns for
Radioactive Waste Control,
Washington has a minimum tax
of \$20 per cubic foot. South Car-
olina taxes containerized waste
at \$235 per cubic foot of waste.
Utah's present tax is 10 cents on
all types of low-level radioac-
tive waste.

Opposing sides seek support in heated debate over waste taxation and storage

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tant because Utah is not being
compensated as it should be to
take in nuclear waste.

"The other states don't want
the waste," Pignanelli said. "We
are storing chemical weapons,
hazardous waste and PCP
waste. If we're going to be a toilet,
let's be a paid toilet."

If the initiative does not
pass, Pignanelli said Utah
would receive B and C waste
from decommissioned nuclear
reactors because it is so cheap
to send it here.

Class B waste stays radioac-
tive for up to 200 years, and
Class C remains radioactive for
up to 500 years. Both B and C
are not disposed of in Utah at

this moment.

Matheson said there is more
involved in this initiative than
increased taxes on nuclear
waste. Companies such as Enviro-
care face possible bankruptcy
if the initiative is passed.

He said there are many
waste sites around Utah, such
as in Moab, that have existed
since the 1950s. It will be more

expensive to clean up these
sites because of the higher taxes.

The state might also become
reliant on the revenue gener-
ated by the new tax, which could
"create a political constitu-
ency" reliant upon nuclear waste.

"If you aren't sure what the
initiative will do, vote against it,"
Matheson said.

weren't handled fairly are those
who feel the process was simply
the outcome of a task that had to
be done.

"People need to understand,
it's a political process that hap-
pens every 10 years, and that in
Utah, just like in Washington,
majority rules," said Republican
candidate John Swallow.

"Redistricting here was cer-
tainly not out of line with what is
going on in the rest of the country,"
said Tom Davis, president of the
National Republican Con-

gressional Committee.

Swallow and Davis believe the
new lines drawn will now give
Salt Lake County residents three
voices in Congress, and Swallow
thinks in 10 years most Utahns
will be grateful for the changes.

Davis also claimed it is not
uncommon for the controlling
party in a state legislature to use
their party agenda in redistrict-
ing.

With elections less than a
week away, Matheson is worried
that people may be confused with
which district they're now in.

"We're doing our best to get
the word out, but I think there is
going to be a lot of confusion
right up to Election Day," Mathe-
son said.

Both Matheson and Swallow
don't feel that adding a large portion
of rural Utah will greatly
influence their chances to com-
pete.

They both have roots in south-
ern Utah and have gone to great
lengths to bring those ties out in
their television ads.

Matheson even proposed his
own redistricting plan to the com-
mittee last year, but it wasn't
accepted.

He asked the legislature to not
disrupt boundaries and was
ready to take the state to court
when the new plan was
approved.

"People are disengaged
enough as it is when it comes to
politics," Matheson said.

"Our legislature just made the
situation that more confusing,"
he said.

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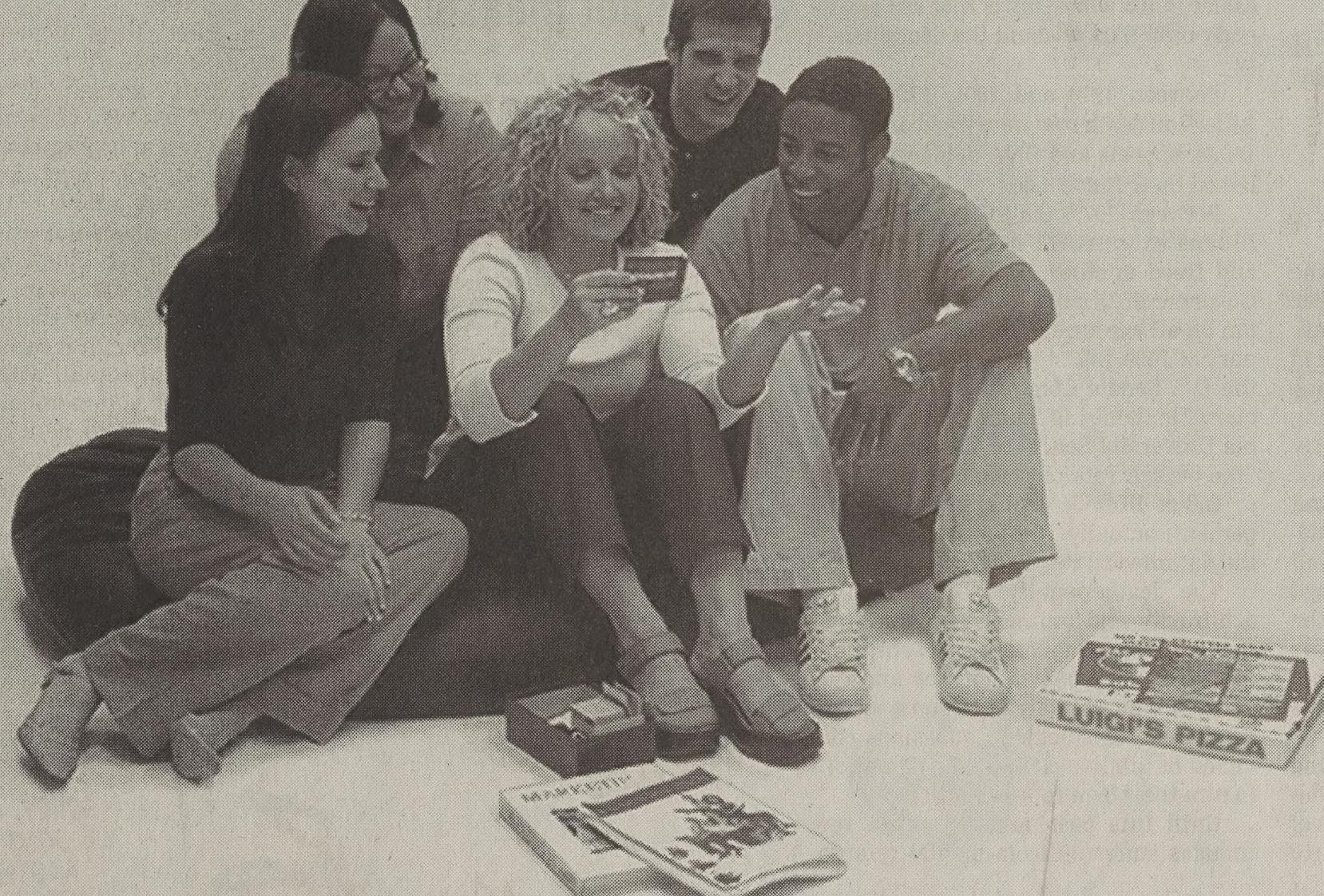
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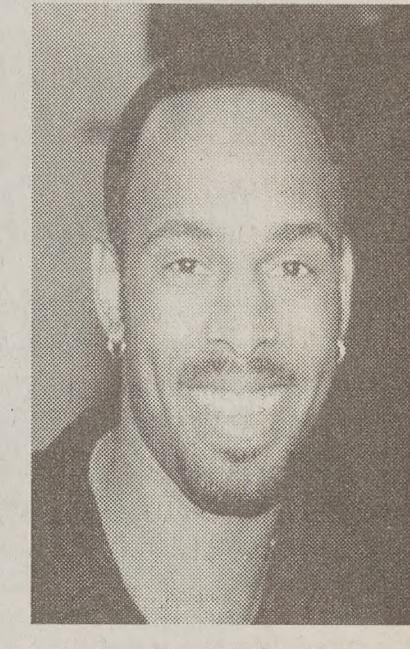
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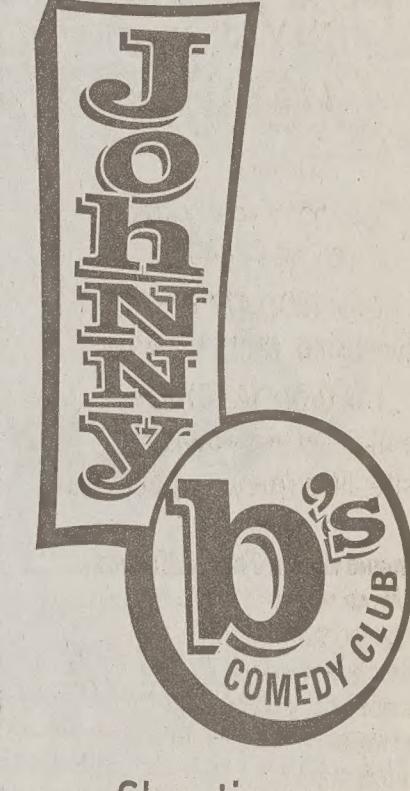
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[Editorial]

Democratic way

*Election Day participation
a special obligation*

With Election Day next week, initiatives and candidates will soon face their fate when voters take to the booths. The question is how many BYU students this year are going to be a part of the voting multitude?

Students should be exercising their right to vote. Voting is a Constitutional privilege, and should be regarded as such. Students holding an attitude of indifference are depriving themselves of this privilege, disregarding the sacrifice made by the forefathers of this nation.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has a long-standing policy of political neutrality, yet every Sunday before an election day a member of the Bishopric reads a letter from the First Presidency encouraging members to vote.

"In this election year, we urge Church members to register to vote, to study the issues and candidates carefully and prayerfully and then vote for those they believe will most nearly carry out their ideas of good government. Latter-day Saints are under special obligation to seek out and then uphold leaders who will act with integrity and are 'wise,' 'good' and 'honest' (Doctrine and Covenants 98:10)."

The First Presidency addresses the importance of not only voting, but also the importance of acquiring information about issues and candidates.

They also inform members to heavily contemplate and weigh the facts while making political decisions.

Latter-day Saints, according to the letter from the First Presidency, have a "special obligation" to pursue moral and honest public officials and support upright legislation and laws on a local, state and national level.

Political involvement is not to be taken lightly, especially in these modern times when corruption abounds in politics and public policy. Students are responsible for taking the initiative and expressing their right to voice their political opinions.

For those students who hold residency outside Utah, more effort is required. These students must obtain an absentee ballot to cast their votes. Thinking it is time consuming or too much work is not a valid excuse for failing to make their democratic contribution to society.

The purpose of the democratic system is to let the voice of the people be heard. Neglecting one's civic duty to vote hushes that voice.

By voting, students heed the teachings of President Gordon B. Hinckley, who has taught church members "to get involved on the side of righteousness and truth and decency and sobriety and virtue" (Teachings of Gordon B. Hinckley [1997], 128).

Under direction of church leaders and personal conscience, students have the opportunity to express their political viewpoints and establish precedence for remaining politically active throughout life.

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Continue buses

Currently, BYU students can ride UTA buses for free. As a pedestrian on campus I use this service frequently. I am from Ohio and the only family member close to me is a sister who lives in Ogden. I take advantage of the bus system on a regular basis. I think it is a wonderful opportunity for everyone attending BYU to have the option of free transportation to almost anywhere in the state.

Furthermore, the BYU approved housing has gotten progressively farther away from the campus in recent years. This increases the necessity of transportation to and from campus.

I agree with the proposal that the funds should come from increasing on-campus parking costs. Presently, the cost of parking on campus is relatively inexpensive. If the drivers do have to pay more next year, they will also have the alternative to ride UTA buses for free anytime.

Continuing the service of free UTA bus rides for BYU students in the following years is a good idea. It is a privilege that benefits all the students on campus, because it gives them freedom and flexibility.

ANNA BOWERS
Marietta, Ohio

Bookstore banter

Bookstore employees have argued that online books are cheaper because the online companies use investors' money to sell books at a price below cost. They have gone on to say that the investors' money has been used up, so the online companies have lost their advantage.

This argument left me with the question, "Why would a profit seeking business sell a product at a loss?" It doesn't make sense, especially when there is no way to sustain the low price long enough to put competitors out of business and claim a larger market share. If this argument sounds perplexing to anyone else, it need be no longer. The answer is simple. Companies don't act that way. The argument that has been presented is a lie.

The reason some online companies are able to sell at such low prices and the reason the Bookstore believes those prices to be below cost is simple. In the USA we have strict copyright laws that allow producers to sell at higher prices because other producers are unable to print their material. In many foreign countries these laws are nonexistent. As

a result producers sell at a lower price because if they do not, other companies will. Publishers at home and abroad regularly sell their books to bookstores and online companies for different prices. Domestic companies pay a higher price to publishers than many foreign companies because the publisher is able to charge more without worrying about competitors.

People have argued for the bookstore's right to preserve its market. The ethical way to do this is to offer better service and a lower price. If this is not possible, then the ethical alternative is to cut back on production. Any other course of action, such as scare tactics, is completely unethical.

MARK MENATTI
San Diego, Calif.

One man's loss

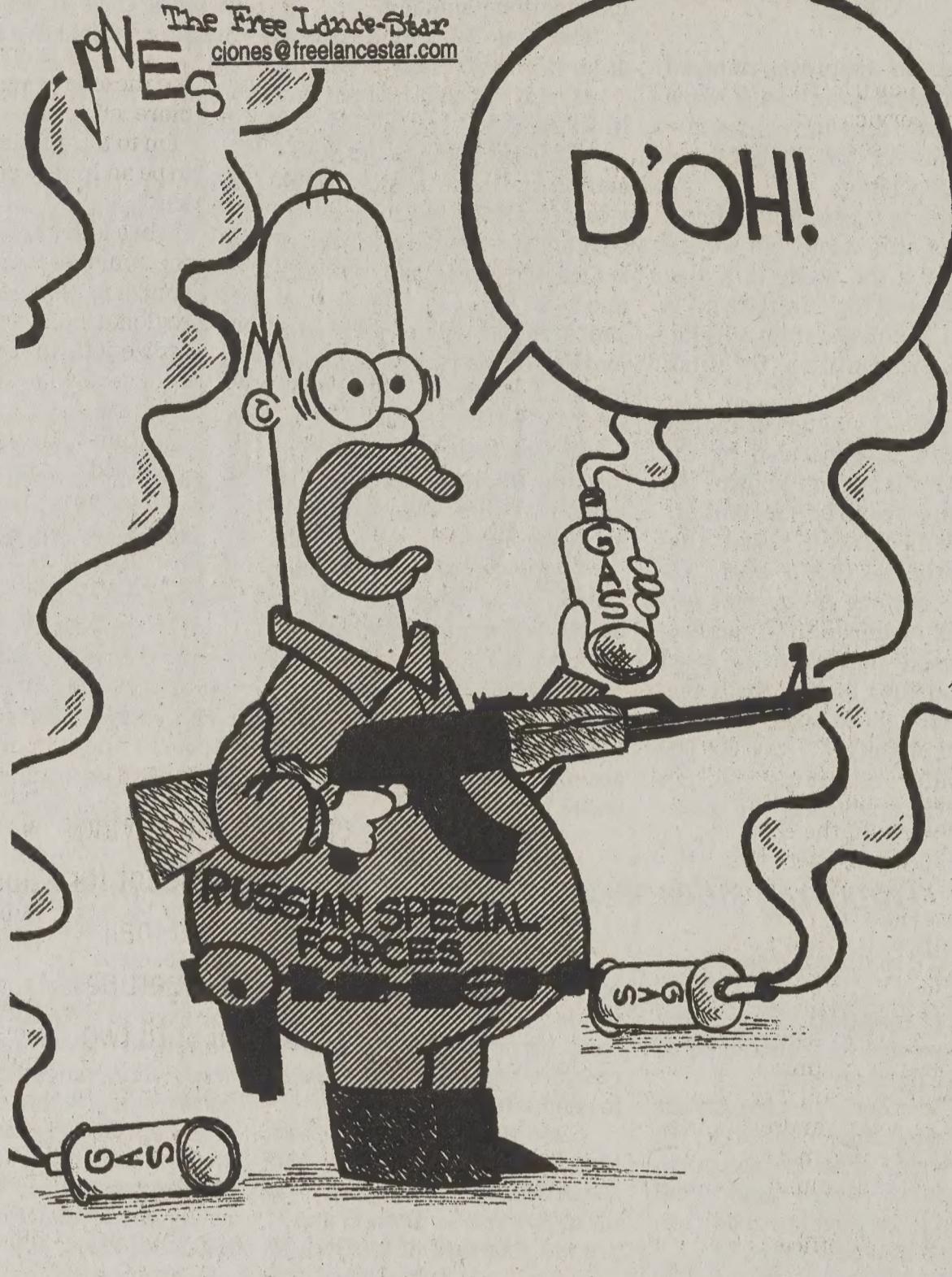
Upon reading your story about the annual lost and found sale, I remembered an experience I had last year. I had wandered into the lost and found sale and was looking at a table of books. In one deliberate motion a guy and girl working together systematically pushed nearly every book off the table and into a box.

This took me by surprise and I asked what they were doing. The guy responded that they were going to buy them — all of them. I hung around and watched them snatch up nearly every book as the BYU employees conducting the sale brought them out in waves. I heard this couple say that they intended to sell the books back to the BYU Bookstore.

I suppose these people were being quite industrious. They had identified an opportunity created by the misfortune of other students and BYU's attempt to

ANOTHER VIEW

BY C. JONES



[Reader's Forum]

redistribute unclaimed items at little cost to students on tight budgets. And I suppose these people did nothing illegal. They paid for the books and the Bookstore in turn paid them.

However, I found the situation a little troubling. If these books are going to end up back in the Bookstore anyway, why not cut out the middleman? BYU, of course, is funded in large part by the tithing of members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Why should tithing payers bear the cost of the "service" these people are providing (i.e. buying unclaimed lost books for something like a dollar, carrying them down the hall, and selling them back to the bookstore at huge margins).

Even if BYU takes no action to address this problem, perhaps there will be a little more competition at the book table at the lost and found sale.

SHAWN BAILEY
Centerville

ABOUT LETTERS

BYU NewsNet invites students, faculty and BYU staff to write letters to the editor.

Letters should include name, home town, and phone number, as anonymous letters cannot be considered.

They should not exceed 300 words and may not be handwritten.

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- By fax to 422-0177

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tion could be executed in accordance with federal law.

I do not necessarily oppose the death penalty in theory. In practice, however, I oppose a method of punishment so grossly unfair and imprecise in its application. It is a hit-and-miss system that requires our greatest consideration, evaluation, and criticism.

RICHARD HAWKINS
Provo

Snide sniper

I am writing in response to a question asked in the column "Snipe Hunting SOS."

Murders have given up their human rights, right to live. In the opinion piece, the author asked the question: What do I know?

After reading her reactionary and ill-informed editorial, I still couldn't answer the question. Instead, I found it easier to list some things that she apparently didn't know about the death penalty.

Between 1973 and 2001, 102 savage killers on death row were freed once new trials, appeals and DNA evidence established their innocence.

Between 1977 and 1999, the state of Illinois executed 12 men on death row and freed another 12. As a result, the Governor of Illinois declared a moratorium on all executions in the state in January of 2000. In a study commissioned by the U.S. Senate Committee on the Judiciary, Dr. James Liebman of the Columbia University School of Law found that "the overall rate of serious error found to infect Illinois capital sentences (66 percent) actually is slightly lower than the nationwide average (68 percent)."

The death penalty is administered arbitrarily and unfairly. Those who do not receive adequate representation, including the poor, minorities and disabled, are more likely to be sentenced to death than able-bodied Caucasians convicted of similar crimes who can afford to hire their own representation.

Until this past summer, death row inmates suffering from mental retardation

I was in the only place in the library that is safe from the ever intruding talkers who seem to each day make inroads into the library. You can no longer study in the Social Science Room because there is always a group of overly social people there. The same is true of any table area. The carols beyond the Welsh section, in the far north end of the fifth floor are the last refuge.

Yet as I was studying there this evening I found my repose very rudely interrupted by some talkers. This is an outrage that cannot continue. People who find a great desire to talk should remain out of the inner reaches of the library and leave some peace to those of us who desire to study.

JOHN LAMBERT
Sterling Heights, Mich.

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Provo's bravest, beware
Learning life's lesson from trick-or-treaters

Hallowe'en. Besides offering ghosts, goblins, witches, jack-o'-lanterns, this pagan holiday gives us a wonderful opportunity to consider "Provo's bravest." I'm talking those who throw caution to the laugh in the face of danger and without consideration for personal well-being: Provo's pedestrians.

Our little trick-or-treaters wander around the pitch-black streets in pitch-black costumes at least some are taught to look ways, until the no cars, run frantically across street and onto the walk at other sides.

Perhaps their college-aged counterparts could catch a clue, too. Provo has some of the most less street-crossers I have ever seen. Armed with nothing but a cell phone of faith, these pedestrians stroll calmly into oncoming traffic, apparently not noticing hurdling hunks of steel (or plastic it's a Saturn) coming at them at 10 miles per hour. They bravely cross the white painted lines of a mid-crosswalk to protect them from instant impact.

Time out! We all know what comes next: screeching tires, raised voices and occasionally some informal language.

Now, I recognize pedestrians are not the only ones at fault here.

For example, my friend Adam

who wishes to remain anonymous

was recently involved in such an accident. Adam was enjoying a peaceful bicycle ride through Provo when a car struck him, literally. Just as he pulled up next to him, the driver reached down to answer her cell phone and veered unexpectedly into Adam's lane. The car slammed into his side, throwing him to the ground and causing undue discomfort to his body.

Salt Lake has been ranked one of the most dangerous metropolitan areas for pedestrians. As a result, city has increased fines for hit-and-run pedestrians to \$1,850.

It's certainly appropriate to drivers for smacking into poor, unsuspecting crosswalk users, but I help thinking there's something else to do.

Perhaps we should give everyone a little old-fashioned trick-or-treat training. Here are a few of Travis' tips for traversing tricky traffic traps:

1. No Death. It's a simple principle: just value your life over the other one of the street.

2. Safety First. If you don't understand, see rule #1.

3. Left-right-left. First, look both ways. Then, if cars are speeding toward you at high speeds, do not run out in front of them, even if you're holding a cell phone.

4. Pitch-black clothes + pitch-black streets = pitch-black smack downs. Please remember that although you may be able to see the oncoming truck that doesn't mean it can see you.

Do what you will with these guidelines. But if you members of "Provo's Bravest" wish to continue throwing your caution to the wind, please do it in front of someone else's thanks.

Comments, questions and suggestions may be submitted to travis@byu.edu.

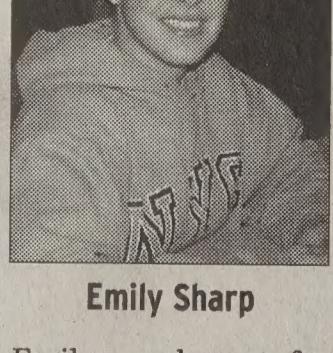
By BOB GORRELL

[Scripture]

Of the Day

Be faithful and diligent in keeping the commandments of God, and I will encircle thee in the arms of my love.

DOCTRINE & COVENANTS 6:20



Emily Sharp

Emily, a sophomore from Salt Lake City, majoring in communications, chose today's scripture. She said, "I love this scripture because it reminds me how much my Savior loves me."

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Rural Utah may see drop in mail service

Postal Service considers cancelling air delivery to southern Utah

By CALLIE BUYS

Nine congressmen from seven states have joined regional airline companies in attacking a United States Postal Service business decision they say will cut mail service to rural areas.

For over a decade, the postal service has contracted with regional airlines, including Provo-based Alpine Air, to deliver mail to rural areas. USPS, which does not receive dollars for operations and relies solely on the sale of products and services to cover operating costs, plans to eliminate the YS-R regional mail contract next May.

"Our primary objective is to work a business arrangement that is best for our customers, and this will do it at a fraction of the cost," said USPS spokesman Mark Saunders.

The postal service has been easing out the regional airmail system and moving to a trucked delivery system over the last 11 months. The postal service has met and sometimes exceeded time standards throughout the transition, Saunders said.

"You are going to get your mail just as fast as you have in the past," he said. "It is in the best interest of the consumer. This move is good for the American postal customer."

The congressmen, including Utah Republicans Chris Cannon and Jim Hansen, say eliminating the ASYS-R contract undermines the mission of the U.S. Postal Service to provide reliable mail to every household and community in America.

"Where the rural residents in southern Utah are paying the same amount for stamps and mail, they aren't getting their mail until two or three days later," said Meghan Riding, spokeswoman for Cannon. "It is creating a group of second-class citizens."

zens."

Eliminating the regional airline services will cut postal service costs from 65 cents

to 10 cents per pound — a significant decrease for a business that pays \$5 million for a one-cent increase in fuel prices, Saunders said.

The USPS spends \$25 million of its \$1.3 billion air transportation budget for the regional air service.

"We're doing everything that we possibly can to cut costs," Saunders said.

Slowing in the economy, exacerbated by the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001, created havoc for the postal service.

USPS delivered 207 billion pieces of mail in 2001, but expects 200 billion pieces of mail this year, Saunders said. Despite six billion fewer pieces of mail, USPS delivers to 1.7 million more addresses than in previous years.

"We handle nearly half the world's mail volume," Saunders said.

"The post office is really the communications link that bonds the nation together."

The postal service delivers mail by mule-back in the Grand Canyon and by helicopters and snowmobiles in Alaska.

"No other delivery service would charge 37 cents to (deliver to) the bottom of the Grand Canyon, and then forwards it for free," Saunders said.

Alpine Air chairman and CEO Gene Mallette said the new ground transportation plan will delay mail one day coming into and one day going out of rural communities.

"For small businesses in rural America, that is just totally unfair," Mallette said.

Mallette called the decision a "short-sighted" one that will seri-

ously affect commerce in rural America. He believes cutting regional air carriers will eventually cost the postal service money.

Rather than pay 37 cents for USPS delivery, Mallette said many rural business owners will pay the approximately \$7 for guaranteed next-day delivery through other companies.

"When they (USPS) start giving bad service, their mail value will go way down," he said. "It won't begin to compensate for the business they are going to lose."

Sandra Anderson, postmaster for the St. George main office of the USPS, said the changes will not slow mail delivery in southern Utah.

"There shouldn't be any difference. In fact, it will improve our mail service," she said.

Alpine Air delivers to and gathers mail from rural communities surrounding St. George, as well as locations in New Mexico, Texas, Montana and South Dakota.

The company moves approximately 5,000 pounds of mail per night — 50 tons per month — between St. George and sorting facilities in Provo.

The St. George airport doesn't have a control tower, so the planes cannot take off in adverse weather conditions, delaying or preventing mail transfer to Provo, Anderson said.

Mail traveling by plane must be packaged in sacks and sometimes gets bent and damaged, which slows the process of loading it into sorting machines, Anderson said.

Provo mail facilities installed new machinery last month, which will sort the mail more quickly.

"We are going to be eliminating those problems and becoming more efficient," Anderson said. "I'm to the opinion that it is going to be an improvement in the service."

In a letter to the postal service, the congressmen expressed their concern that eliminating the regional contracts would "jeopardize jobs in local communities and devastate small, rural and regional air carriers."

Alpine Air, for example, will be forced to downsize when it loses business from the changes. USPS has not yet phased Alpine Air from delivery operations.

"It affects all regional airlines that carry mail, and there's 110 of them," Mallette said.

Saunders said the postal service understands the concerns of regional carriers.

"We are and still continue to be aviation's largest customer," he said.

Still, the postal service operates as a business, not a charity.

"Many people feel the postal service has an obligation to be a social provider. That's not how we were established," Saunders said. "We're moving to fix things the best we can, but we still have to operate as a business."

USPS has slimmed its work force to the same number of staff members as in 1995, though it delivers 21 million more pieces of mail than it did then.

Nationwide, the postal service has 38,000 post offices and employs 360,000 letter carriers. The average letter carrier delivers 2300 pieces of mail to 500 addresses per day.

"We've done a lot; we're doing everything humanly possible to be as efficient as possible," Saunders said.

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Wellness Program holds 'spooky' health fair in WSC

By NICOLE MATSEN

BYU Wellness Program's Health Fair is open to students as well as faculty and administration

Wellness Program will be putting on its Health Fair, playing off Halloween for this theme, "Scared About Your Health."

The fair will be in the Garden Court of the Student Center where different booths are set up for interested faculty, administration and students, said Autumn Michaelis, a wellness intern who was heavily involved in planning the health fair.

"This year there is a lot more hands-on resources," Michaelis said. "There will be a vertical

booth, the dietetics department will be doing a blood-pressure check. There is so many

aspects at one place. People can get so many

of their health checked out all at one stop."

The fair will have food, music and prizes for participants.

For students the biggest prize is a mountain

laptop, donated by Outdoors Unlimited, which

taffled off.

"I thought it would be a good idea to have the

Halloween," said Alisa Brown, Wellness Intern.

"We thought the theme was kind of

catchy. People would dress up if they wanted to, which would make the event more fun."

Brown said the Wellness Program expects high numbers of students to come participate.

"We did a lot of publicity with posters and signs everywhere," Brown said. "I think having the fair on Halloween will draw people in. On Halloween it is a night that everyone is out, but during the day people are usually not that busy."

Brown said though the Wellness Program is for BYU employees, students are welcome to attend this year's health fair.

"It is a large and public event," said Michaelis. "It is something that we feel could benefit the whole campus."

Michaelis said it is the largest health fair the program puts on, with 10 on-campus representatives and 15 off-campus nonprofit organizations.

"This fair is unique because we normally gear specifically towards BYU personnel, but this one is for everyone," Michaelis said.

The Wellness Program has been planning the fair since June, Michaelis said, contacting different resources for participation.

"We call different organizations or people that have participated in the past," Michaelis said. "Some organizations that have not participated in a few years are involved this year. The fair varies year to year as far as what organizations and resources are available."

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WASHINGTON (U-WIRE) — News editors and an undetermined number of writers to the staff of The Daily California student newspaper at the University of California-Berkeley staged a walk-out this week to protest what they claim are employment policies that led to the firing of two editors and the resignation of five

other staff members. The paper is accusing Editor-in-Chief Rong-Gong Lin II and Managing Editor Virginia Griffith of implementing new and unauthorized changes within the newsroom that punish editors for poor submissions.

Editorial Assistant Editor Ben Barron, who walked out on the paper on Tuesday, accused Griffey of firing editors without consulting the Senior Editorial Board as per protocol. He also claimed that Lin and Barron hired their friends to fill positions and in some cases, placements had no prior paper experience.

Griffey strongly denied the claims, claiming that the new policy met with "no objections" from the staff when it was introduced Thursday.

A letter to the reporters of the Daily Cal this week, four reporters, three who resigned and one who was allegedly fired, public attention to what all an "extremely alarmist" situation.

Lin's firing sets a dangerous precedent and should not be tolerated. Ron and Virginia have

overextended their powers and have shown no respect or fairness toward the editors who have dedicated much of their time to the Daily Cal," the former editors wrote.

According to Barron, Lin implemented a new policy last week that required City Editor Leta Shy and University Editor Millie Lapidario to stay in the office until the paper went to the press, which could be 3 a.m. in some cases, whenever an article was submitted after 9 p.m. on production night.

"Although as an assistant news editor I had numerous times turned in to the night desk a brief I had written and edited myself without the news editor's own editing, Virginia told me after the 9 p.m. deadline — after an assistant turned a brief into the night desk before 9 p.m. — that I had to edit it. I turned in the brief at about 9:03 p.m., but was still made to stay until 12:30 a.m. as punishment," Shy wrote in a letter to the Senior Editorial Board, outlining the situation on Sunday night.

The new policy forced Shy and Lapidario to spend close to 14 hours a day in the office this weekend — despite their status as full-time students.

"We're students, we have social lives we want to get out too," Barron said.

Shy and Lapidario challenged the policy, calling it "counterproductive."

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Campus lecture discusses Mideast, democracy

By JARED JONES

Analyzing the social and economic effects of non-democratic nations was a major theme of a lecture by Azzedine Layachi on Wednesday.

Layachi is professor of government and politics at St. John's University in New York.

"I am going to be talking about the issue of democracy and the Middle East," said Layachi. "As you can tell, I did not say democracy in the Middle East because there is a direct and total dismiss of any democratic experience in the Middle East."

Layachi said a lot of people write negatively about the Middle East and Northern Africa because of the lack of democracy in those regions. The nations of the Middle East have not heeded suggestions given to them by strong external forces.

Layachi said the effects of non-democratic nations are evident in their social and economic standards.

Layachi said the Middle East and Northern African nations

have the greatest contrast in economic living standards. He said this region has some of the world's poorest and richest

nations.

"Sixteen million people live in poverty in the region," said Layachi. "In some places, the people live on less than one dollar a day."

The economic problems of

the Middle East are linked to the social problems of the region

Layachi said,

"Sixty-five million adult Arabs are illiterate. Two-thirds are women," said Layachi. "This leads to great unemployment in the region."

Layachi said the problems in the Arab world are a result of the failure of political management in the economy.

He also said these social and economic problems are a result of deficits in three areas: freedom, knowledge and power to women.

Despite strong criticism from external forces, the Middle East remains unchanged because of rigid censorship, secretive police forces, disregard of civil liberties, political corruption and unlimited tenure of leadership, Layachi said.

However, Layachi said he believes changes are taking place in the Middle East although at present the changes are unrecognizable.

"The old parliament in Morocco had two women," said Layachi. "Now 10 percent of parliament members are women — 34 women. I think this is a major move ahead and unique in the Arab world."

Walk-out staged at UC-Berkeley newspaper

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Lin, calling Barron's allegation "completely untrue" cited Meyer's 10 months of experience as a City Council beat reporter and his extensive work in sports reporting.

"[The policy] assumes that they are not already doing all they can to make deadline," the former editors wrote.

Lin disagrees, saying, "The point of this policy is that when and if a section doesn't make their deadline, staying here allows them to see what happens when they are late."

He also pointed out that at any major metropolitan newspaper, if a reporter misses a deadline, they are usually fired. Lin said that he understands that the Daily Cal is a learning paper, so he tries to be flexible, but he stressed the importance of

a real-world atmosphere.

Lin asked Shy for her resignation Sunday night, citing a poor attitude towards Griffey while forced to stay in the office on Sunday night and anonymous complaints about her performance.

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BYU honor codes vary at different campuses

Standards at church colleges reflect different emphasis

By MOUNI MATAELE

BYU-Hawaii, BYU-Idaho and BYU-Provo all have an honor code, but the dress and grooming and residential living standards are different at all three campuses.

"The basic honor code — in other words honesty, integrity, morality, chastity, word of wisdom, respect for others — is the same for every university," said BYU Provo Honor Code Director Steven Baker. "The main area where most people would notice an obvious difference would be in dress and grooming."

At BYU-Provo, clothing is inappropriate when it is sleeveless, revealing or form-fitting. Shorts must be knee length.

BYU-Idaho dress and grooming standards restrict the same things, but additionally forbid bib overalls, patched, faded, frayed, torn, or tight, form-fitting clothing, shorts of any length, sweat suits or PE-type clothing.

BYU-Hawaii dress and grooming standards allow shorts, which must extend at least to the middle of the knee while standing. So-called "grubby attire" may be worn only in the immediate areas of residence halls and at informal outdoor activities, but not in dining or classroom areas.

Grubby attire is defined as tank tops, shirts without sleeves, midriffs, sweats and jogging attire, work overalls, medical scrubs, military camouflage and the informal lava lava (a piece of fabric worn around the waist).

Residential living standards at the three campuses also vary.

BYU-Hawaii and BYU-Provo residential living standards are just over a page in length and consist only of on- and off-campus visiting hours when the opposite gender may visit and a paragraph about conduct.

BYU Idaho's residential living standards is titled BYU Idaho Off-Campus Apartment Approval

on the campus Web site.

The six pages of guidelines begin by stating all single students must live in approved housing and male and female students must live in separate housing.

Also each apartment must have an apartment manager who supervises up to 60 students. A resident assistant should be hired for the supervision of every additional 30 to 40 students.

Each university has certain visiting hours for the opposite sex. In Provo and Hawaii visiting hours begin at 8 or 9 a.m.

They have curfew, but a lot of people actually liked it. It forced them and me to get more sleep, kind of like the mission where you have to go to bed at a certain time and wake up at a certain time."

Aaron Dahle
BYU-Idaho student

In Idaho the visiting hours begin at 2 p.m. Monday through Friday, noon on Saturday, and after church on Sunday.

The visiting hour guidelines in Idaho also state there should always be at least three people in the apartment when a student is being visited by a member of the opposite sex.

Late passes are required in order to extend curfew one hour, Sunday through Thursday.

Students had different opinions on the differences in the dress and grooming and living standards.

"I wasn't really big on showing off my legs anyway," said Aaron Dahle, 22, a sophomore from Fairview, Mont., when asked about not being able to wear shorts while attending

school in Idaho.

Dahle said BYU-Idaho officials were also strict about other dress and grooming standards such as shaving. "If you went to the testing center and you hadn't shaved, you couldn't take a test," he said. "They had shavers there."

"I think for some people it is a problem because they feel that because of all the structure that the school is treating them like children not adults," he said.

Dahle said, however, some people enjoyed having the additional rules.

"BYU-Idaho is a little bit stricter," Dahle said. "They have a curfew, but a lot of people actually liked it. It forced them and me to get more sleep, kind of like the mission where you have to go to bed at a certain time and wake up at a certain time."

One student at BYU-Hawaii, said she didn't feel there was not much of a difference in the honor codes.

"Even though it's a lot hotter in Hawaii, you still have to have dress standards," said Losaline Lautaha, 19, a sophomore from Laie, Hawaii, majoring in English, who also attended BYU Hawaii.

The differences in the three campuses shows what each campus emphasizes, Baker said.

"Provo is emphasizing that it is very important that you are not in the member of the opposite gender's apartments after certain hours," Baker said. "But I think BYU-Idaho has a slightly different kind of approach. They have a certain time that people are suppose to be in."

Sarah Lautaha, 21, a senior from Laie, Hawaii, majoring in political science at BYU-Hawaii, attended BYU-Provo two years ago. She said because BYU-Hawaii is a smaller school, rules are enforced more.

"The way professors and administration treat the students is more of a child-parent relationship," she said.

All three campuses review their standards annually.

"We believe the honor code is a system of self governing," said BYU-Idaho Assistant Dean of Students Michael Lehman. "It's not about being forceful. Every year we do review the standards and sometimes we make adjustments."

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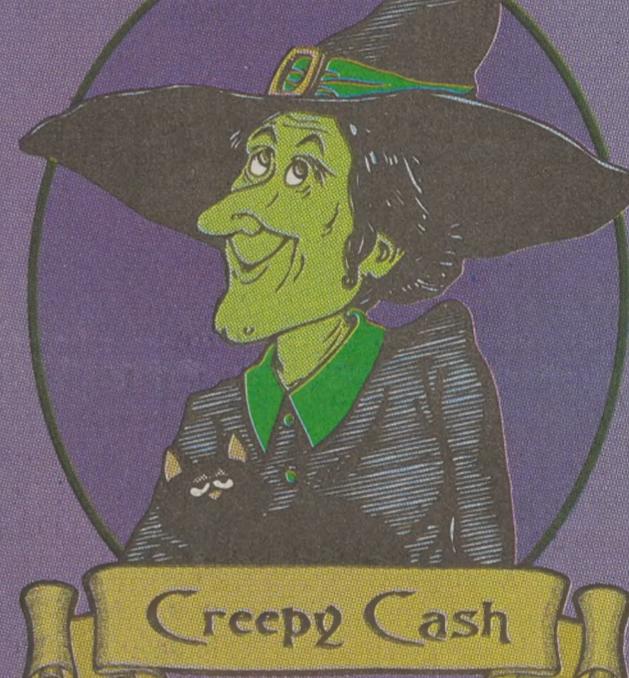
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Halloween haunting hails from the Emerald Isle

JESSICA MITCHELL-BALL

Celtic celebration born in 4th century B.C. is now America's second largest commercial holiday: Americans spend close to \$1 billion a year during Halloween.

"When costumes and pumpkins emerge in October, we know Halloween is near. But do you know what Halloween is a celebration of?"

"I have heard little bits and pieces about the history of Halloween over the years, but it wasn't till I came across actual literature about Halloween that I realized the truth," said Amber Kroff, 23, a senior from Los Angeles, Calif., majoring in English.

According to the History Channel Web site, the word "Halloween" has its roots in the Catholic Church. Nov. 1 is a public day of observance in honor of saints known as "All Saints Day." All Hallows Eve was soon altered into what we know now as Halloween.

And his book, *Extraordinary Holidays of Everyday Things*, author Charles Panati, remained that the origins of



Photo by Andy Von Harten

From its Celtic origin, Halloween has grown to become America's second largest money-making holiday.

Halloween dates back to the annual Celtic festival called Samhain.

Two thousand years ago in Ireland, the Celts celebrated their new year on Nov. 1, Panati said. This day was significant as

it marked the end of the summer and the harvest and signaled the beginning of a cold and dark winter.

Panati said the night before the new year, the Celts believed the boundaries between space

and time were blurred, enabling the spirit world to mix with the living.

Villagers would extinguish the fires in their homes on the night of Oct. 31 in an attempt to make their refuge cold and unde-

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sirable to spirits," Panati explained.

Then the Celts paraded obnoxiously around the neighborhood in ghoulish costumes in a final effort to ward off the dead.

Panati said the custom of Halloween was brought to America in the 1840s by Irish immigrants fleeing their country's potato famine.

He also said that over time, the belief in spirit possession diminished and the practice of dressing up like ghosts and witches took on a more ceremonial role.

However, it is believed that

the tradition of trick-or-treating originated from a ninth century European custom called "souling."

Panati explained that on Nov. 2, known as All Souls Day in England, poor citizens would meander from village to village and beg for "soul cakes." The "soul cake" was made from square pieces of bread with currants.

Panati said the beggars that received soul cakes promised to say prayers on behalf of the dead relatives of the contributors.

This practice was common because people believed the dead were in limbo for a while after death, and that a prayer, even from a stranger, could speed up a soul's passage to heaven.

Kroff said she was surprised at how much the original intent and purpose of Halloween has been distorted over the years, making what we practice and associate with Oct. 31 a shadow of the original Halloween.

"I was surprised to learn that the beginnings of Halloween had nothing to do with evil, goblins or skeletons. It used to be a celebration," Kroff said.

Parents should take care during trick-or-treat hours to ensure children are safe while going from house to house looking for candy.

Halloween headliners

Candy thief receives 'sweet' punishment

Associated Press

Witch Politics

WAUPUN, Wis. — The first Wiccan to serve as prison chaplain in Wisconsin and a Muslim who was both ousted from the Waupun Clergy Association, which now allows only Christians members.

Muslim Imam Ronald Beyah said last week's inclusion of him so it wouldn't appear the law was targeting the person who caused concern, Jamyi Witch, the Wiccan chaplain.

Some state legislators and others criticized her appointment last December, but the warden at the Correctional Institution said the law prevented religious discrimination.

Members of the association in this community northwest of Milwaukee said it was founded for Christian ministers, but ambiguous laws meant Beyah was included two years ago, followed by Witch last December.

Sutherlan pastor Kenneth Spence, who proposed the new policy, said he had nothing against Hindu and Beyah "as persons, but it's a matter of principle."

Beyah said he respects Witch as a professional

and equal even though Islam strongly opposes pagan views. "She's an excellent chaplain," he said. "Her religious faith or tradition has nothing to do with her as a chaplain."

Wiccans celebrate nature and worship various gods and goddesses. Followers are sometimes called witches, though many prefer the term Wiccan.

Sweet Justice

ELYRIA, Ohio — A candy thief has been ordered to pass out Halloween treats while wearing a sign saying "I'm sorry. I will not steal from children."

Edward Rivera, 23, pleaded guilty Monday to attempted robbery for stealing trick-or-treat candy from a 10-year-old boy last Halloween. Charges of assault and robbery were dropped.

Rivera, of Lorain, knocked the boy down before stealing his candy, said Lorain County Common Pleas Judge Edward Zaleski.

He ordered Rivera to wear the sign and a costume while he hands out candy at a Lorain hospital on Thursday. He also placed Rivera on probation for three years.

"I have a habit of trying to make the punishment fit with the crime," Zaleski said.



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Warren Miller film sets ski season in motion



'Storm' comes to UVSC

By TANNER CORBRIDGE

The changing leaves and the bite in the air mean only one thing to many ski junkies in the state of Utah — the Warren Miller ski film is not far from town.

Every year, rowdy collections of ski and snowboard enthusiasts gather in select places across the Beehive state in ritualistic preparations for the oncoming season. Many of these enthusiasts sense the wait is nearly over as Miller's latest film, titled "Storm," rolls into Utah this weekend for a two-week stay, including a stop at UVSC Nov. 15-16.

"The Muslims have Mecca, and ski bums have Miller," said David Wagner, recent graduate from BYU's Accounting program, and longtime fan of Miller's films. "How else are you going to warm up for the ski season in October?"

Miller, considered by many as one of the greatest innovators of mountain films, has produced films since 1949 — a time when North America only had 15 chairlifts. His films consistently feature steep chutes, towering cornices, crisp powder, and solid performances from some of the world's most accom-

plished skiers and snowboarders.

The latest production of Warren Miller Enterprises, "Storm," is another attempt to live up to the company's promise: "Wherever slow falls, a Warren Miller camera is there to catch it." And early ski magazine reviews promise that Miller's 53-year recipe for big screen success comes together perfectly in this year's film.

For years, Miller has promoted working less and skiing more — reminding his audiences that no man on his deathbed ever wished he had spent more time at the office.

"Pursuing the storm can be a lengthy and exhausting chase," Miller said in this year's film. "It's a never-ending quest ... 'till finally the distance has been traveled and all that lays ahead is white."

"Storm" will be featured in both public and private theatres from Cedar City to Ogden, giving Miller's fans across the state the annual opportunity to vicariously warm up for the ski season.

"You know when you take a face shot on skis and you come up feeling a complete adrenaline rush? Miller's films are like that, without ever clipping into skis," Wagner said.

For many, Warren Miller's film crew coming to town signals the inauguration of the ski season and the commencement of prayers to the snow gods for the nectar to fall.

"For me, Miller's film is always the match

that lights the fire," said Ryan Sorensen, 24, from Sandy, majoring in aviation science at UVSC.

Fans of Miller's films can expect to find all the essential powder, cliffs and exotic locales in this year's film as well. The film's mountain-top itinerary includes snow rides in locations such as Austria, Alaska and Antarctica by athletes who push the sanity envelope the way down.

The film also features a ski expedition across turbulent seas to Antarctica — recreating Sir Ernest Shackleton's voyage to the Isle of South Georgia. While there, Miller's film crew captures skiers pursuing first-ever descents on some of the world's most remote peaks.

Recent marketing research by Miller Enterprises shows the films have produced a loyal following throughout the country — returning seven out of 10 audience members to the next year's film. This year's film will be shown in more than 200 cities across the nation October through December.

Chris Anthony, an extreme skier featured in "Storm," will emcee the Ogden and Salt Lake City shows, according to Nancy Richter, a spokesperson for Miller Enterprises.

Film attendees will receive a \$20 lift ticket to ski the Canyons Resort in Park City. Show information can be found at www.warren-miller.com.

Students want longer breaks

*No spring break
incites further stress*

By HILARY CONNELLY

Some students find the lack of scheduled vacation time affecting their schoolwork and social life.

"BYU puts too much focus on studying and getting married; the whole process seems like it is trying to run me into the ground," said McKell Toolson, 19, a sophomore open major from Gilbert, Ariz. "I would do a lot better in school if I got a break in the fall and winter semesters. I feel like there is no time to breathe and enjoy college."

BYU has a unique schedule that allows students to graduate or get out of school in April, ahead of other universities. This also gives students the opportunity of attending school for a spring and a summer term instead of only a summer program that other colleges offer.

"The one good thing about getting out of school so early is getting a jump on summer jobs ahead of other college students," said Katie Robbins, 20, a junior from Marietta, Ga., majoring in sociology. "We should, however, get a spring break."

Robbins said there is little time with the current schedule to just hang out with friends or take a break.

Similarly, some professors find the lack of breaks difficult in spending time with family and enjoying free time.

"Last year's Olympic break was a nice moment," said religion professor S. Kent Brown. "I know students like to have the time to catch up on schoolwork and it is definitely nice for me to enjoy having free time."

Last year, students received a shorter Christmas break and only one reading day for finals

due to the week off during the Winter Olympics.

With the accreditation requirements, students must be in class 70 days a semester. The 5-year calendar is planned so that the university meets these minimum demands.

"The calendar is the only reason we don't have a spring break," said Ron Bybee, academic scheduling officer. "There is no room for an extra week off. Last year's Olympic break was really difficult to schedule and we had to make a lot of sacrifices throughout the year to make up those days."

Bybee said there are more than enough holidays throughout the semester for students to catch up on schoolwork and the school added an extra day onto Thanksgiving giving break.

"I understand students' concerns," Bybee said. "You've got to

have time to breathe."

BYU's trimester system also allows the university to host unique events such as Education Week and Pioneer Day. The combination of these events consumes all the available days.

"Our goal is to let the students out early so that they can get a jump on the job market. With that, there isn't a week to give away," Bybee said.

Some students appreciate the opportunity to get ahead in school during Spring and Summer terms and find the lack of breaks worth getting school over with as quickly as possible.

"I don't mind working really hard so I can get the semester over with," said Heather Morgan, 23, a senior from Kailua, Hawaii, majoring in geographic information systems. "I wish we had a longer Christmas vacation — it definitely goes by too quickly."

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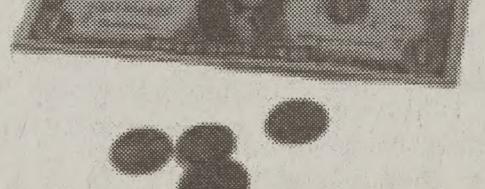
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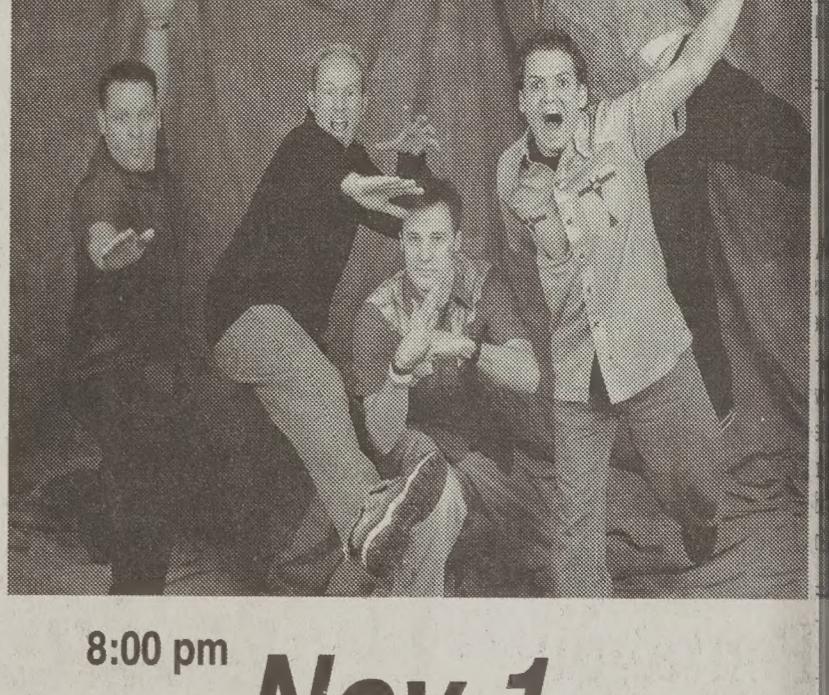
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Child safety tips released

In light of recent high-profile child abduction cases, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children released 'Abduction and Kidnapping Prevention Tips for Parents,' which gives 14 guidelines to safeguard children and prevent child abduction

By KIRA CLUFF

Recent high-profile kidnaps prompted the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children to release safety tips it intended to reduce the risk of child abductions.

The newest edition of NCMEC's Know the Rules series, "Abduction and Kidnapping Prevention Tips for Parents," outlines 14 guidelines to safeguard children from adult predators.

The tips focus on teaching children basic methods of prevention while underlining the need for cautionary measures.

"Children need to be involved in family safety plans," said NCMEC director of Prevention Nancy McBride.

In a statement released this week, McBride said parents need to talk to their children about safety as soon as they are old enough to speak.

She also said parents should regularly practice emergency procedures with their children.

The center received numerous requests this summer from parents concerned about kidnapping from the home.

The fact sheet reflects that parents and providers concerned about kidnapping have a few tips intended to increase home security, McBride said.

On the list were tips for keeping children to run away from danger, yell for help and go anywhere alone.

Parents should never allow children to leave adult supervision without that adult knowing exactly where the child is going and when they will return.

The list counsels adults to be especially careful with children, providing them with emergency numbers, and know everyone with whom the children are in contact.

According to a study conducted by the Washington State Attorney General's Office, 57 percent of the child-abduction cases involved crimes of opportunity.

Special Agent George Doherty from the FBI's Salt Lake City division said parents do best good when they maintain close relationships with their children.

A lot of it is having communication with children, pro-



John Walsh, host of the TV show "America's Most Wanted: America Fights Back," speaks as 2,200 school children hold photos of missing children. In light of recent high-profile kidnapping cases, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children released safety tips this week intended to reduce the risk of child abductions. The guidelines, the latest in the NCMEC's Know the Rules series, outline 14 ways to safeguard children from adult predators and prevent child abduction.

niques with your children," Doherty said. "Parents need to be afraid to sit them down to say, 'There are people out there that want to hurt kids.'"

He said ultimately children should feel completely comfortable telling parents about any strangers who approach them, cars that follow them home, or strangers they encounter over the Internet.

"Children are very smart, but they're naive," Doherty said. "A little bit of communication can go along way."

Child-abduction cases only fall under FBI jurisdiction when kidnappings cross state lines, involve ransom demands or, as with the Smart case, local officers request federal intervention.

That does not mean agents wait until children are missing to act.

The FBI works closely with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Doherty said.

Agents working in the school systems take pictures and finger print children so the parents have specific identification records for emergencies.

Doherty also said agents spend time teaching students basic self-defense and instructing them on how to carry themselves in unexpected situations.

"Children should be aware of their surroundings, Doherty said. "You have to tell people, 'No matter what kind of person pulls up, you can't fall victim to their tricks.'

Stephanie Ashby, 27, a BYU graduate in business management said that although her two-year-old son is too young to understand, she's already teaching him the dangers of running off when she's not looking.

"Tyler thinks it's funny in the store when he walks away," Ashby said. "I'm always trying to tell him, 'I know you think it's funny that Mommy's trying to chase you, but what if someone were going to take you when you run around the corner?' I'm trying to let him know that it really scares me."

Some of the biggest challenges parents face today are the dangers of Internet predators, Ashby said.

Parents should be especially vigilant about whom their children talk to and what they talk about.

Captain Ken Hansen, a section chief for the Utah Attorney General's office and the director of Utah's Internet Crimes Against Children, said his task force arrests two Internet predators a week.

The task force, only 33 months old, has already processed 350 child pornography cases and recently received another 150 cases for the under-cover division to investigate.

These cases, involving suspects across Utah, arise as national FBI investigators scan credit records looking for recent purchases of child pornography.

"Know the rules," Hansen said, when he was asked what parents and children should do to protect themselves from these predators.

"Parents must learn about the Internet so they can talk to their children and can teach them safe uses," he said. "Yeah, you can have rules about where to put the computer and when it should be used, but the most important thing parents must gain is a basic understanding of how the Internet works."

Flight 587 investigated

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Representatives of Airbus Industries and American Airlines traded accusations Wednesday about who was at fault for pilots' apparent lack of knowledge about how to handle a rudder correctly in turbulence.

Last fall American Airlines Flight 587, en route from John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York to the Dominican Republic, crashed 103 seconds after takeoff when its tail fin fell off. All 260 people aboard the Airbus A300-600 were killed, as were five people on the ground.

National Transportation Safety Board investigators, who are conducting a four-day hearing into the accident, say the plane ran into turbulence created by a Boeing 747 flying five miles ahead.

Among other things, they're looking at whether the rudder was used improperly or had a design flaw. Rudders help to keep a plane on course during landing or taking off in crosswinds and in case of engine failure, but are rarely used at higher speeds.

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Cougars looking to fill gaps

By LEIGH DETHMAN

The Cougar women's basketball team begins its season next week with a few unanswered questions. The team is without a point guard and a true three-guard.

BASKETBALL Coach Jeff Judkins said BYU still doesn't have a point guard to take command of the squad this season. Judkins currently has four players competing for the starting spot.

Sophomore guard Julie Whetten-Sullivan, the Mountain West Conference Newcomer of the Year in 2000-01, returns to the squad after sitting out last season to have a baby. Judkins said Whetten-Sullivan is ahead of the pack for the starting point guard job.

"Julie understands, and she's got the experience we need," Judkins said. "Right now I really feel that she has the upper hand."

Senior guard Erin Thorn said Whetten-Sullivan is playing aggressive.

"Julie is surprising us all," Thorn said. "She is playing so well, considering she sat out last year to have a baby."

Junior guard Kestee Nelson, a junior college transfer from UVSC, is challenging Whetten-Sullivan for the job.

"I really didn't think Kestee would be as solid and as disciplined as she is right now, coming

out of a junior college," Judkins said. "She's doing a really good job for us."

The point guard slot is still up for grabs. Judkins said it will be tough to pick who gets the job.

"It is gonna be a good battle," Judkins said.

If Judkins cannot find a true point guard, he said he might just move Thorn to lead the offense.

"Erin is going to be more of a versatile type of player," Judkins said.

If Thorn shifts from the wing spot to the point, the Cougars will lose some of her scoring ability.

Last year, the All-American averaged 17.3 points per game and is sixth on the BYU all-time scoring leaders' list.

The team is also without a true three-guard, someone who can run the offense when needed, but can also battle with the big players down low.

"Right now I don't really have a true three," Judkins said. "I've got some players that can fill in."

Jen Leitner can play the three, Brit Larson can play it, as well as Kali Taylor and Maria Chiara," he said.

Judkins said he will shift the lineup depending on the team the Cougars are facing.

"Some nights, I might go big," Judkins said. "In certain situations and certain teams that we play, we can change and be able to match up well."

No matter how the starting five ends up, the Cougars have plenty of players who can fill in.



Photo by Corey Perrine

Danielle Cheesman is guarded by a teammate during BYU's media day on Wednesday. With the basketball season approaching, coach Jeff Judkins is hurrying to decide which players will fill several empty starting positions for the Cougars.

Cat fight on South Field

By KURT PLEASTER

After starting the year with a disappointing 3-5 record, the BYU women's soccer team has come back to straight, including a 2-0 victory Wednesday against Weber State at South Field.

"We wanted to win the rest of our games after we lost to UCLA," coach Jennifer Rockwood said. "T

number 10 and we want to play for the conference championship on Saturday."

The team improves to 13-5 on the season and 6-0 in conference play.

Senior forward Jeni Viernes scored five minutes into the game on a penalty kick with assists from junior forward Aleisha Cramer Rose and freshman forward Brian Bowman.

Viernes has scored a goal in each of BYU's last wins. It was Viernes' 10th goal of the season.

"I've been working hard, following everyone's lead and pickin' up the trash," Viernes said. "A couple of goals I've got have been pokes-ins."

The Cougars kept the ball on their half of the field most of the game and outshot the Wildcats 25-2.

"Our defense was very organized today," sophomore goalkeeper Mandy Gott said. "Everyone is working hard and we didn't allow them to take any shots."

The Cougars scored again in the second half on freshman midfielder Charlene Lui's third goal of her career. Bowman picked up her second assist of the night on the play.

With the win, the players said they are now focused on Saturday's match with Utah. The match will determine the regular season conference championship.

"Obviously there is a huge rivalry because it is and we've never lost to Utah, ever," Gott said. "We have a chance to win our 11th straight and to win our conference, which makes it even sweeter."

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Davis, who struggled with back spasms throughout the preseason, had 21 points and 10 assists as the Hornets beat New Orleans' old team, the Utah Jazz, 100-75 Wednesday night in the regular season opener.

The game marked the regular season return of the NBA to the Crescent City for the first time since the Jazz left for Utah in 1979.

Jamal Mashburn added 16 points and nine rebounds, Courtney Alexander scored 19 off the bench and David Wesley added 15.

Karl Malone and John Stockton, the two oldest players in the league, led Utah with 20 and 14 points.

A day before the game, Davis said his spasms were acting up but he felt he needed to play through the pain. He started slow but in the second quarter put on a dribbling, passing and long-range shooting exhibition.

Davis hit four 3-pointers, including one from well behind the arc as the shot clock expired on a broken play to give New Orleans a 43-36 lead. Another gave New Orleans a 49-38

lead at halftime.

Davis was clearly still in pain, although he only let it show when he came out of the game, walking to the bench with his back arched awkwardly and a grimace on his face. He played 38 minutes.

The Jazz were within 68-64 after Mark Jackson hit a running hook at the third-quarter buzzer. But the Hornets were able to maintain the lead and outscored Utah 32-11 in the fourth.

Deshawn Stevenson, a first-time starter in his third season with the Jazz, eclipsed his 4.9-point average from last season, hitting his first three shots. He finished with 12.

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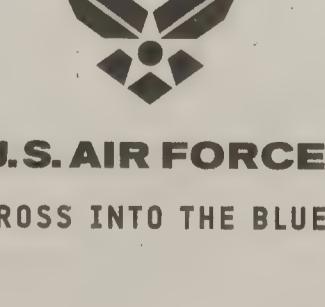
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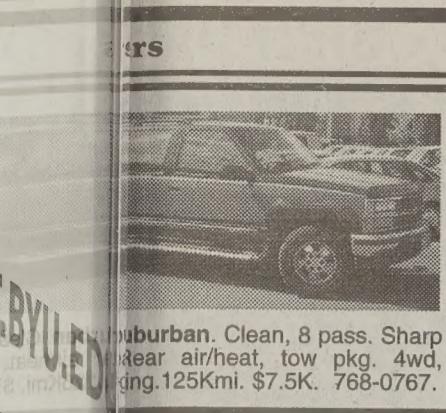
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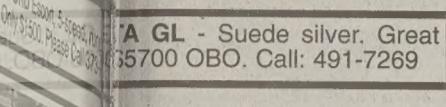
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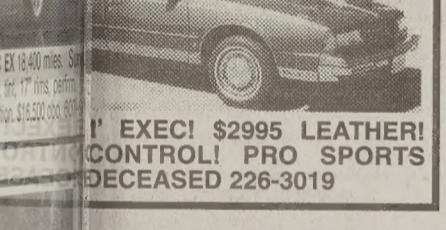
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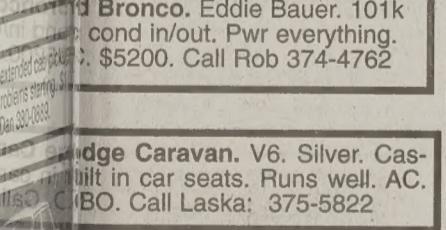
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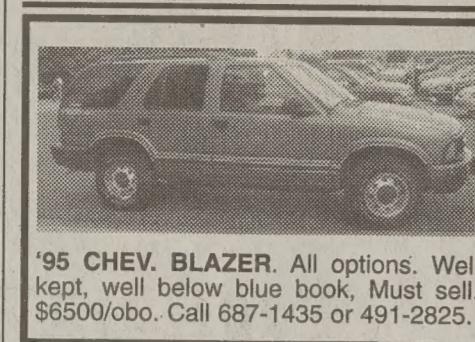


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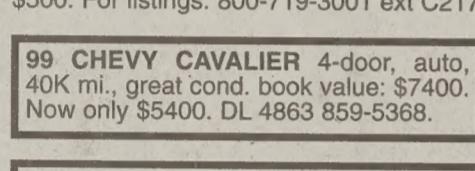
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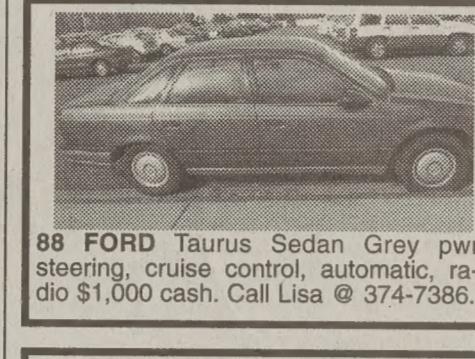
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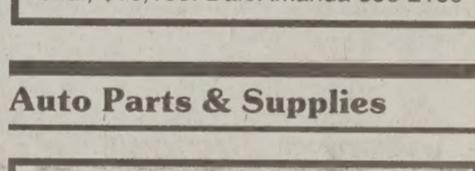
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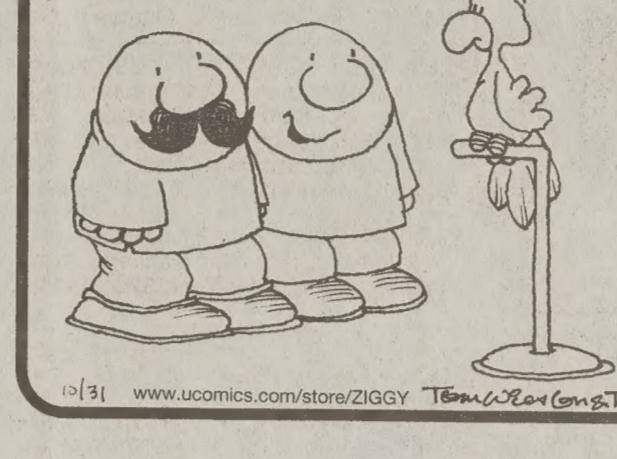


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